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## Method and System for Introducing a New Material Supplier into a Product Design and Manufacturing System

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As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenship are as stated below next to our names;

We believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on invention entitled METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INTRODUCING A NEW MATERIAL SUPPLIER INTO A PRODUCT DESIGN AND MANUFACTURE SYSTEM the specification of which

- ☒ is attached hereto.  
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We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to in this declaration.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to us to be material to the patentability of this application, as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

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#### Prior United States Application(s)

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §§ 120 and 365 of any United States application(s) listed below and, inasmuch as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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And we hereby appoint, both jointly and severally, as our attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith the following attorneys, their registration numbers being listed next to their names:

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